

The Board of Education of the Chico Unified School District met in a Regular Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Chico City Council Chambers.

The following were present:

BOARD MEMBERS:

Steve O'Bryan, Vice President
Rick Rees, Clerk
Scott Huber, Member
Anthony Watts, Member

ABSENT:

Rick Anderson, President

ADMINISTRATION:

Dr. Scott Brown, Superintendent
Kelly Mauch, Assistant Superintendent - Educational Services
Randy Meeker, Assistant Superintendent - Business Services
Bob Feaster, Director - Educational Services
Dr. Cynthia Kampf, Director - Educational Services
Alan Stephenson, Director - Educational Services
Tracy Martineau, Director - Classified Personnel
Mike Weissenborn, Manager - Facilities/Construction
Greg Einhorn, Attorney at Law
Kim Hutchison, Executive Secretary to the Superintendent

OTHERS:

Association representatives, news media, and visitors.

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1 At 7:00 p.m., Mr. O'Bryan called the meeting to order and welcomed visitors.

1.2 Mr. O'Bryan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Brown announced that the CUSD Employee Organizations: Chico Unified Teachers Association, Classified School Employees Association, Chico Unified Management Team and Chico Unified School District are hosting a "Let's Get Together" BBQ on Monday, August 18 from 3-6 p.m. Kevin Moretti will be manning the BBQ, there will be a Dunk Tank Fund Raiser to raise money for the Scholarship Fund and great door prizes from local businesses. Please plan to attend and encourage co-workers to attend as well.

Mr. O'Bryan recognized Pam Willis and Wendy Donahoo, both teachers at Marigold and each with 30+ years of service to CUSD. Mrs. Donahoo and Mrs. Willis retired at the end of the 2003/04 school year. Mr. O'Bryan thanked them for their dedication and loyalty to the students of Chico Unified School District.

3. HEARING SESSION/PUBLIC FORUM

At 7:10 p.m., the Hearing Session/Public Forum was opened. Ted and Lisa Webb, parents of a BJHS student expressed their concern regarding Geometry classes not being available at BJHS. There were no comments and the hearing session/public forum was closed.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

Mr. Rees requested that Item 4.1 be removed from the Consent Calendar and that a correction be made regarding the attendance of Mr. Anderson who was incorrectly listed as absent on the minutes.

4.1 The Board approved the minutes of the 07/17/03 Regular Meeting. *MSC Rees/O'Bryan*

4.2 The Board approved the following Certificated Personnel changes: *MCS Watts/Huber*

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Comment</u>
<u>Administrative Appointments According to Board Policy</u>			
de la Torre, Claudia	Elementary Principal	2003/04	
<u>Appointments According to Board Policy</u>			
Beck, Kristin	0.4 FTE Elementary	2003/04	Change/Increase to 0.8 FTE
Kehoe, Brian	0.6 FTE Elementary	2003/04	
Klein, John	0.4 FTE Secondary	2003/04	
<u>Part-Time Leave Request for 2003/04</u>			
Boone, Sherri	Secondary	2003/04	Change/Increase to 0.4 FTE Leave
D'Anna, John	Secondary	2003/04	0.4 FTE Leave (Policy #4475 STRS Reduced Workload)
Stephens, Anne	Secondary	2003/04	0.2 FTE Leave
<u>Rescission of Leave Request for 2003/04</u>			
Callahan, Meghan	Elementary	2003/04	Rescission of 0.2 FTE Leave Request
Tindill, Teresa	Elementary	2003/04	Rescission of 0.2 FTE of 0.4 FTE Leave Request
<u>Temporary Appointment According to Board Policy</u>			
Bishop, Gregory	1.0 FTE Special Education	1 st Semester 2003/04	Temporary Appointment
Heald, Carol	1.0 FTE Secondary	1 st Semester 2003/04	Temporary Appointment
Mota, Adan	1.0 FTE Elementary	1 st Semester 2003/04	Temporary Appointment
Utterback, Richard	1.0 FTE Special Education	1 st Semester 2003/04	Temporary Appointment
<u>Resignations/Retirements 2002/03</u>			
Needles, Tom	Secondary	5/30/03	Retirement
Sinatra, Charles	Secondary	12/01/02	Retirement

4.3 The Board approved the following Classified Personnel changes: *MCS Watts/Huber*

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CLASS/LOCATION/ASSIGNED HOURS</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>	<u>COMMENTS/ FUND</u>
<u>Summer School Appointment</u>			
Bowman, Judith	IA Special Ed/Parkview/4.0	6/30-7/25/03	Summer School
<u>Appointments</u>			
Kennedy, Sean	IPS-Healthcare/PVHS/6.0	08/19/2003	Vacated Position
Kimble, Sam	Prov Sr. Custodian/M & O/8.0	07/21/2003	Provisional Appointment/ During Absence of Incumbent
Lee, Lily	Impacted Language Liaison (Hmong)/ Rosedale/3.0	8/5/03	Vacated Position Categorical Funds
Matthews, Rebecca	IA Special Ed/McManus/3.0	8/19/03	New Position Special Ed
Newman, Walter	Custodian/Chapman/8.0	7/26/03	Vacated Position
Robinson, Brian	LT Custodian/McManus & Sierra View/4.0	7/26-9/11/03	Limited Term during absence of incumbent
Salberg, Joel	LT Custodian/McManus & Sierra View/4.0	7/26-9/11/03	Limited Term during absence of incumbent
<u>Promotion</u>			
Copper, Dustin	SMW-Sprinkler Systems/M & O/8.0	7/30/03	Vacated Position
<u>Increase in Hours</u>			
Hall, Kathy	Cafeteria Asst/Parkview/3.0	08/19/2003	Vacated Position
Herbert, Sandra	Sr. Library Clerk/District (Neal Dow)/5.5	7/28/03	Vacated Position
Inserra, Mary	IA Multicultural/CAL & Fairview/7.0	7/29/03	Increased Hours from Categorical Funds
<u>Transfer with Increase in Hours</u>			
Moreno, Eugenia	IA-Bilingual (SDC)/Chapman/5.0	8/5/03	Vacated Position Special Ed
<u>Leave of Absence</u>			
Haley, Booke	IPS-Classroom/Bidwell Jr./4.0	8/1 - 12/31/03	Leave without pay CBA 5.12
<u>Resignation/Termination</u>			
Christian, Julie	Sr. Library Media Asst/PVHS/4.0	07/25/2003	Resigned
Devlin, Ruth	Custodian/Chapman/8.0	7/26/03	G.H. Retirement
Ellis, Tisha	IPS-Classroom/Chapman/3.0	07/09/2003	Resigned
Kingori, Robert	IA-Elementary/McManus/3.0 and IA Computers/Chico High/3.8	8/18/03	Resigned
Maghetti, Marilyn	Food Services Supervisor Assistant/ Food Services/8.0	8/1/03	Resigned
Simcox, Anna	Parent Science Aide/Chico High/3.5	7/15/03	Resigned
Wilhelm, Michael	Sr. Library Media Asst/MJHS/4.0	08/04/2003	Resigned

- 4.4 The Board approved payment of the following warrants: *MCS Watts/Huber*

<u>FUND #:</u>	<u>FUND DESCRIPTION:</u>	<u>WARRANT #'S:</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
01	General Fund	310134 - 310330	\$378,043.85
13	Nutrition Services	310331	\$12.00
14	Deferred Maintenance	310332 - 310338	\$43,973.05
24	BLDG FD - Measure A (P & I)	310339 - 310342	\$9,882.80
25	Capital Facilities FD - State CAP	310343 - 310349	\$59,098.14
29	BLDG FD - 1988 Ser. C - INT	310350	\$2,500.00
32	SSBLP #2 New Construction	310351	\$583.00
35	County School Facilities Fund	310352 - 310357	\$443,353.42
		CURRENT WARRANT TOTAL:	\$937,446.26
		PREVIOUS WARRANT TOTAL:	\$0.00
		TOTAL WARRANTS TO BE APPROVED:	\$937,446.26

- 4.5 The Board accepted the following donations received by individual school sites: *MCS Watts/Huber*

<u>Donor</u>	<u>Donation</u>	<u>Recipient</u>
Bill & Celia Martin	\$25	Chapman
In memory of Leonard Kidwell		
Stony Creek Pest Control	\$50	Neal Dow
Bill Crane	\$50	Neal Dow
Crane Home Exteriors		
Dan Lacko Painting	\$50	Neal Dow
Hometown Buffet	2 family dinners	Neal Dow
Brott's Auto Service	\$50	Neal Dow
Alhambra Water	15 cases bottled water	Neal Dow
Yolanda Lopez		
Pullins Cyclery	bicycle	Neal Dow
North Valley Cycles	bicycle	Neal Dow
Jackie Landberg	\$25	PVHS
Wells Fargo Foundation	\$30	PVHS

- 4.6 The Board approved the consultant agreement between CUSD and Edusoft to provide a representative who will train selected representatives from 8 Title I school sites in the use of the Edusoft program. Training will include: developing and maintaining a classroom roster, developing standards-based assessments and tracking student progress. Funding Source: Title I Funding. There is no impact to the General Fund.
MCS Watts/Huber
- 4.7 The Board approved the consultant agreement between CUSD and 3-B Productions to provide videotaping services for regular Board of Education meetings. Funding Source: Board of Education Account.
MCS Watts/Huber
- 4.8 The Board approved the consultant agreement between CUSD and Dr. Gerald Lieberman of the State Education and Environment Roundtable to provide technical support to CUSD on all tasks involved in implementing the Unified Education Strategy Grant (UES), including: developing a detailed implementation plan and timetable; supporting audit(s); and guiding the development of educational materials. Funding

Source: Unified Education Strategy Grant. There is no impact to the General Fund. *MCS Watts/Huber*

- 4.9 The Board approved the consultant agreement between CUSD and BCOE to provide coordination and implementation of EETT-C grant, including tracking & evaluation of student achievement, development & facilitation of professional development goals, inclusion of service learning component, monitoring progress, planning for the next two years of the grant, Edusoft coordination (if appropriate), coordination of tech support to reduce student per computer ratio, overall communication/coordination between agencies, schools & district personnel. Funding Source: NCLB/EETT-C Enhancing Education Through Technology grant. There is no impact to the General Fund. *MCS Watts/Huber*

- 4.10 The Board approved the consultant agreement between CUSD and Dan Keys to provide Assistive Technology with main-stream applications, provide tutorial services to VH students, provide in-service to VH staff and provide technical configuration and related information. Funding Source: Loma Vista Administrative Account. *MCS Watts/Huber*

5. DISCUSSION CALENDAR

- 5.1 Bob Hanson, Athletic Director at CHS presented a Resolution to dedicate "Haines Field" to Katherine Haines at Chico High School.
- 5.2 Stephanie Starmer, Teacher at CHS will presented a Resolution to dedicate room L-13 as the "Roger Williams Theater" honoring Roger Williams.
- 5.3 Zack Kincheloe, Teacher at CHS, David McKay, Teacher at CHS and Pedro Caldera, Teacher at CHS presented information on new instructional materials, which are in alignment with state standards, to be used at CHS:
- > *The Catcher in the Rye*
 - > *A Child Called It*
 - > *The Lost Boy*
 - > *The Crossing*
 - > *Side by Side Levels 1-4*

- 5.4 Randy Meeker, Assistant Superintendent - Business Services will provide an update of the current state budget crisis. This year, Governor Davis signed a \$100 billion dollar State budget on Aug 2nd. Of course, this is not the latest date the budget has ever been signed, just last year it was signed on Sept 5th.

We can attribute this expeditious approval by both houses and the Governor to Wall Street Creditors. Just days before approval by both houses, Standard & Poor's, a leading Wall Street credit-rating firm lowered California's bond rating to the worst rating in the Nation, +BBB. S&P cited a lack of progress on the budget, a lack of dedicated funding to pay back deficit reduction loans and the recall effort of Governor Davis all contributed to the bond rating decline.

The 2003/04 State Budget assumes that \$10.7 billion of deficit-financing bonds will be issued to cover the 02/03 year-end deficits. The \$10.7 billion in bonds will be paid back over five years. The budget also assumes that VLF fees triple.

The budget swaps sales taxes with property taxes between local governments and the State, with the State dedicating the new Sales tax dollars to the amortization of the deficit-financing bonds. This tax swap will reduce the amount of property taxes schools receive, but in the Revenue Limit calculation, lost property taxes will be backfilled with State Aid.

Based on a recent analysis of the budget by the LAO, the State will end the 04/05 fiscal year with deficits of (\$7.9) billion, absent further corrective actions.

The 2003/04 State budget assumes \$41.3 billion in Prop 98 funding. This is \$288 million less than the 2002/03 funding level. Per pupil spending has gone down from \$7,067 to \$6,887 or a decline of (\$180) per student.

Significant changes to K-12 funding:

- 1) Budget allocated \$1.6 billion for Revenue Limit attendance growth.
- 2) Budget accounts for the loss of PERS recapture. Employer PERS rate will increase from 2.894% to 10.42% in 2003/04. The State PERS recapture on classified payroll costs will drop from 10.126% to 2.6%. The total cost to the State at 0% recapture is estimated at \$550 million.
- 3) Budget adopts \$2.0 billion in program reductions including Revenue Limits, Instructional Materials, Deferred Maintenance, Summer School, State Mandates, School Intervention programs and others.

The Governor's Jan 10th proposal called for a (2.15%) deficit to R/L, while the Adopted State budget calls for a (1.1%) deficit.

- 4) Budget provides no COLA for either Revenue Limit or Categorical Programs.
- 5) Budget continues to defer \$1.2 billion of P-2 Apportionments from 2003/04 to 2004/05.
- 6) Districts "MAY" access the following reserves to backfill losses to Revenue Limit:
 - a) Economic Uncertainty (3%), Categorical Programs and Maintenance funding.

This budget will improve the financial position of CUSD. Our intention is to determine the specific fiscal impacts and present a Revised Budget to the Board at the 1st meeting in September.

It is our belief that the State adopted budget does not solve the State fiscal problems, as this crisis is a multi-year problem. Therefore, any unrestricted savings that are realized by CUSD from this budget, should be placed in Unrestricted Fund Balance to be used to offset actual cuts for the 04/05 fiscal year.

6. ACTION CALENDAR

- 6.1 The Board adopted the Resolution to dedicate "Haines Field" to Katherine Haines at Chico High School.
MSC Watts/Rees
- 6.2 The Board adopted the Resolution to dedicate "Roger Williams Theater" to Roger Williams at Chico High School.
MSC Huber/Watts
- 6.3 The Board approved the revisions to the following Board Policy as presented at the July 16, 2003 Board of Education meeting. *MSC Huber/Rees*
 - > Policy #6206 Junior High Promotional Requirements
- 6.4 The Board approved the MJHS 2003 Fall Picture Fundraising Request presented at the July 16, 2003 Board of Education meeting. *MSC Huber/Watts*

- 6.5 The Board adopted Resolution No. 886-03 - In Support of the Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2004. *MSC Rees/Watts*
7. ANNOUNCEMENTS
There were no announcements.
8. BOARD ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA
There were no items for the next agenda.
9. CLOSED SESSION
At 8:04 p.m. the Open Session of the Regular Meeting adjourned the Board recessed into Closed Session for the purpose of public employee performance evaluation.
10. ADJOURNMENT
At 8:39 p.m. the Board reconvened, there were no announcements and the meeting was adjourned.

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NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Wednesday, August 20, 2003
7:00 p.m., Chico City Council Chambers

APPROVED:

Board of Education

Administration